

AMTA Distinguished Speaker (2025-2026)

AMTA Distinguished Speaker Award is bestowed on an AMTA member that is a proven expert in the field of electromagnetic measurements and has excellent presentation and communication skills. The awardee is expected to travel internationally for invited presentations or lectures to AMTA regional events, AMTA nodes, meetings arranged by AMTA members or to present at other meetings to increase interest in AMTA.

The Antenna Measurement Techniques Association Distinguished Speaker Award is presented to Dr. Vince Rodriguez for a period of two years effective from January 1, 2025.



Dr. Vince Rodriguez attended The University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) and obtained his B.S.E.E. in 1994. There, he was introduced to electromagnetic theory by Professors Elsherbeni, Kajfez, Kishk, and Glisson, after which he decided to continue his studies in electrical engineering. Following graduation, Dr. Rodriguez joined the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Ole Miss as a research assistant. During his tenure there, he earned his M.S. and Ph.D degrees, both in engineering science with an emphasis in electromagnetics, in 1996 and 1999, respectively.

Dr. Rodriguez joined EMC Test Systems (now ETS-Lindgren) as an RF and electromagnetics engineer in June 2000. In this position, he was involved in e-field generator design and the RF design of several anechoic chambers, including rectangular and tapered antenna pattern measurement chambers operating from 100MHz to 40GHz. He was also the principal electromagnetics engineer for the anechoic chamber project at the Brazilian Institute for Space Research (INPE). INPE has the largest anechoic chamber in Latin America capable of testing vehicles, EMC and satellites.

In September 2004, Dr. Rodriguez was promoted to senior principal antenna design engineer with responsibilities in developing new antennas for different applications and improving on the existing antenna line. During this period, he introduced the concept of the open-boundary quad-ridged horn at AMTA in 2005. In the fall of 2010, he became ETS-Lindgren's antenna product manager, where he oversaw all technical and marketing aspects of the antenna products. While mainly dedicated to antenna design, Dr. Rodriguez continued his involvement in anechoic chamber design.

Dr. Rodriguez joined MI Technologies (now NSI-MI Technologies) as senior applications engineer in November 2014. In this role, Dr. Rodriguez worked on antenna design, RCS, HWiL, and radome measurement systems, as well as

designing several associated anechoic ranges. In 2017, Dr. Rodriguez was promoted to staff engineer, positioning him as the resident expert of RF absorber and indoor antenna ranges at NSI-MI. He continued to be involved in the design of antennas and special RF absorbers to meet the necessary specifications of large systems. In 2019, he was promoted to senior staff engineer given his stature in the industry. He was most recently appointed manager of the newly created chamber engineering group. In 2022 he was appointed manager of the Electromagnetic analysis group

Dr. Rodriguez is the author of more than 30 journal publications and over 70 conference papers, including over 25 AMTA papers. He is the author of a very well-received book on anechoic chamber design and has authored chapters in two other books. He is a senior member of the IEEE and several of its technical societies. Among these, he is an EMC Society member, where he served as distinguished lecturer from 2013 to 2014 and on the IEEE-EMC Board of Directors. Dr. Rodriguez also served as secretary in the IEEE AP-S Standards Committee and as secretary for the IEEE STD 149 and IEEE STD 1128 Working Groups. He currently serves as co-chair for the IEEE STD 1720 Working Group. Dr. Rodriguez is also a member of the Applied Computational Electromagnetic Society (ACES), where he served on its board of directors from 2014 to 2017. In 2019, he was elevated to an ACES Fellow. He has served as a reviewer for the ACES Journal, the IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation, Electronic Letters and for the Journal of Electromagnetic Waves and Applications (JEWA). He has also served as reviewer for several IEEE, AMTA, ACES and EuCAP conferences and as chair of sessions at several conferences of the IEEE, AMTA, and CPEM (Conference on Precision Electromagnetic Measurements). Dr. Rodriguez has been Adjunct Research Professor of Electrical Engineering at Ole Miss since 2017 and is a full member of the Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society and Eta Kappa Nu Honor Society. Dr. Rodriguez holds patents for hybrid absorber and a dual ridge horn antenna.

Vince has been a member of the Antenna Measurement Techniques Association (AMTA) since 2000. On the Board of Directors of AMTA, he served as Meeting Coordinator (2010-2011) and Vice President during 2012. In 2014, he was named an E. S. Gillespie Fellow.